(h) if so, whether the Horticulture Department of the CPWD does not has service station with telephone like the civil department of the CPWD; and

(i) if so,, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to note the horticul ture complaints by the civil wing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir. The parks, lawns and open spaces in front of quarters in Government residential colonies are being swept and cleaned as per approved yardstick by the Horticulture Wing of CPWD.

(b) Not applicable in view of reply to (a) above.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The maintenance is done as per approved norms and is satisfatory.

(e) and (f) Water pressure is low in same areas as lines are silted and rusted. Lines are being replaced in small stretches as per availability of funds. New tubewells will be drilled as per availability of funds to increase the water pressure in R. K. Puram.

(g) No, Sir. The hydrants are regularly operated wherever water is available.

(h) Horticulture Wing has no separate Service Centres.

(i) Complaints register is kept in Civil Enquiry Office and complaints are attended to promptly by the Horticulture staff.

Consumption of Petrol in CPWD

6668. SHRI O. P. KHOLI: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the average consumption of petrol per month on Government cars placed at the disposal of the officers of the level of Executive Engineers and above in CPWD during the last one year, month-wise;

(b) the number of instances where misuse of Government cars has come to the notice of Government and the action taken thereon; and

(c) the steps taken to bring economy in expenditure on petrol in CPWD?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the the Table of the Sabha.

Allotment of Government Residential Houses on Recommendation of MPs

6669. SHRI O. P. KHOLI: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government residential accommodation allotted during the last five years on the recommendations of Members of Parliament and the number of cases where such recommendations were ignored;

(b) the reasons for ignoring recommendations;

(c) what are the names of the MPs on whose recommendations houses have been allotted so far; and

(d) the steps taken to allot houses on the recommendations of other M.Ps also to avoid discrimination in accepting the recommendations of the M.Ps?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (d) The allotment of quarters is made in turn basis based on seniority of the Government employee and on out-of-turn basis to the personal staff of Ministers of Central Cabinet, Judges of Supreme Court, Members of Planning Commission, Medical cases covered under the rules and on compassionate grounds in relaxation of rules under

SR-317-B-25 by the competent authority. Since allotments are made on the above criteria, no MP-wise statistics are maintained separately.

Cases Against DDA Engineers

6670. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Cases against DDA engineer for shoddy planning in Rohini; probe panel says colony is over budgeted" which appeared in the Times of India dated 20th April, 1995;

(b) if so, the details thereof and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A committee was set up to examine certain aspects of poor condition of roads in Rohini Phase I and Phase II by the Vice-Chairman, DDA on August 2/3, 1993 under the Chairmanship of Dr. H. S. Anand, the then Principal Commissioner, DDA. The Committee, in its report, observed large excesses in overall Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction in the works of Phase-I and Phase-II in Rohini for which revised approval had not been obtained in all the cases. The Committee also reported heavy deviations in the works besides other issues.

(c) DDA has reported that in connection with the incident of burning of records, an FIR was lodged by DDA with the Police Station, Sultanpuri on 2.8.1993. The case has since been transferred to the Crime Branch on 11-1-1994. The cases requiring Vigilance action are being sorted out and records being collected from respective units. Two Vigilance Units have been created in DDA under a Commissioner for inquiring into Vigilance cases pertaining to Rohini.

Flats in Timarpur, Delhi

6671. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Timarpur mein 400 sarkari flaton ke jang se khok ale hone ki chetawani" which appeared in the Jansatta dated 22nd April, 1995.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) These 400 flats (Type-II quarters) were constructed during 1970. The condition of 300 quarters is satisfactory and the remaining 100 quarters have been declared dangerous.

(c) These 100 quarters were got vacated and special repair work is in progress and is likely to be completed shortly.

Shortage of Drinking Water in Karnataka

6672. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether urban areas in Karnataka are facing acute shortage of drinking water; if so, the number of towns in the State which are facing such a problem as on 30th April, 1995; and